LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Ground Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Thursday 22 February 2018 at 9.30am.

Present: Councillors R Brock (Convener), Ian James (Vice-Convener), C Ahern, B Brawn, D Illingworth, A Jarvis, A Parrott, J Rebbeck and F Sarwar.

In Attendance: PC L Gregge (Police Scotland); L Cormack, M McLaren, S Michie, and L Brown (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors A Coates, B Pover, L Simpson and R Watters.

Councillor R Brock (Convener), Presiding.

. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were noted as above.

. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, Councillor A Parrott declared a non-financial interest in Art (Item P4)

. MINUTES

The Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee of 11 January 2018 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

. NEW FEES FOR SECOND HAND DEALERS OPERATING FROM A CAR BOOT SALE

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (18/56) seeking approval for the introduction of a reduced licence fee for second hand dealers who operate at car boot sales.

Resolved:

- (i) The introduction of a reduced fee for a Second Hand Dealers' licence for dealers trading at a single car boot sale once per week be approved.
- (ii) The fee for the licence be £60 for a one year licence and £150 for a three year licence.

REDUCED FEE FOR A PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE FOR COMMUNITY EVENTS

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (18/57) seeking approval to adopt a reduced fee for a Public Entertainment licence for community events.

Resolved:

The introduction of a reduced fee of £65 for a one year Public Entertainment licence for a funfair located within a community event such as a gala, fete or bonfire night, where fewer than five children's mechanical ride(s) are present, be approved.

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

SUSPENSION OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE NO TD1657

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (18/58) together with a letter of objection from Police Scotland dated 18 December 2017 in terms of Schedule 1, Paragraph 11 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 regarding suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence (TD1657).

The Committee noted that this item had been withdrawn from the agenda at the request of Police Scotland.

SUSPENSION OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE NO TD1451

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (18/59) together with a letter of objection from Police Scotland dated 22 January 2018 in terms of Schedule 1, Paragraph 112(a) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 regarding suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence (TD1451).

Resolved:

Consideration of suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1451 be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee.

. RENEWAL OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE NO TD1044

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (18/60) together with letter of warning from the Licensing Officer, Corporate and Democratic Services, Perth and Kinross Council dated 18 December 2017 regarding renewal of taxi/private hire car driver's licence TD1044.

The applicant and his legal representative were in attendance.

The Licensing Officer, Corporate and Democratic Services, Perth and Kinross Council, addressed the Committee and answered Members' question. The applicant and his legal representative also addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions

FOLLOWING AN ADJOURNMENT THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED.

Resolved:

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1044 be renewed for a period of 1 year with effect from 21 January 2018.

COUNCILLOR PARROTT LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

GRANT OF A TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE NO TD1526

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services 18/61 together with a letter from the Licensing Officer, Corporate and Democratic Services, Perth and Kinross Council regarding consideration of suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence (TD1526).

The applicant and his legal representative were in attendance.

The Licensing Officer, Corporate and Democratic Services, Perth and Kinross Council, addressed the Committee and answered Members' question. The applicant and his legal representative also addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING AN ADJOURNMENT THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED

Resolved:

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1526 be not suspended.

. GRANT OF A STREET TRADER'S LICENCE NO ST/0355

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (18/62) together with a letter of representation from Police Scotland dated 20 December 2017 regarding an application for grant of a Street Trader's licence - ST/0355.

The Committee noted this item had been withdrawn from the agenda at the request of the applicant.